

THE NEWS OF ROANOKE SOCIETY.

An Interesting Quotation Party by the Clover Club.

"Woman" Was the Subject and Mrs. Ed. L. Stone Won the Prize—The Most Entertaining Programme Rendered by the Club—Interesting Record of the Week's Doings by Our Gossip.

The Quotation party given by the Clover Club at its regular meeting last week was a most interesting and delightful entertainment.

The evening opened with a tableau and song, "A Bird in the Hand." Three young ladies dressed in summer attire depicting their sunshiny faces told in a song of the numerous proposals of marriage they had had—of how they scorned them all, etc. Three of the unfortunate suitors then appeared on the scenes and after kneeling to the scornful fair, sang a bass trio, thus relating the sufferings they had undergone for the maiden's sake.

Dr. L. G. Padgug represented the English lord; Mr. W. S. Hancock, the duke, and Mr. J. F. Temple, the plain-spoken lad. Scene third disclosed the maidens three, now old as old could be, who told a woeful tale of having been left to a life of single blessedness. These parts were taken by Mrs. Temple, Mrs. Stone and Miss Kate Stone.

Mr. G. Thompson next read Mark Twain's famous story of "Aureli's Young Man." Miss Harris followed with an instrumental solo, "Adonis." Mr. C. E. Graves gave a presentation of "Leading Man in a Theatrical Company." This was followed by a vocal duet from Miss Ida Stone and Mrs. Temple.

The quotations were then submitted to a committee consisting of Mrs. Thos. Buford, Dr. W. C. Campbell and Hon. J. W. Woods. The committee retired to the dining room for half an hour, and at the end of that time awarded the prize for the following quotation from Dobson: "Mine is woman kindly beyond measure, Fearless in praising, flattering in blame, Simply devoted to other people's pleasure And animated ever by a noble aim."

The subject chosen two weeks before was "Woman" and the prize was awarded to Mrs. Ed. L. Stone. The prize consisted of two tiny leather gift books—Tupper and Moore. All the quotations had literary or philosophic merit.

It being the beginning of the quarter, new officers were elected as follows: Dr. L. G. Padgug, president; Mr. J. F. Temple, vice president; Mr. C. E. Graves, secretary.

At the conclusion of the literary and business programme, dainty refreshments were served, and at 11:30 the club adjourned, the masculine members to doubt, to dream on the subject of the quotation contest; the feminine members to exemplify in various ways all the sweet and lovely attributes accredited to her by poets and philosophers.

EVENINGS IN ROANOKE HOMES.
A very pretty entertainment was given Wednesday evening by Miss Joseph English at her beautiful new home, on Campbell street, in honor of her sisters, Misses Annie and Anna Staples. An elegant supper of rare and dainty dishes, was served at 11. Mrs. English was assisted in receiving by Miss Emma English.

The "At Home" given by Misses Graves and Harris was a pleasant affair. There was some enjoyable music and other amusements. Supper was served at 12.

Mrs. W. C. Campbell entertained a few of her friends on Thursday evening.

OUR GOSSIPER'S GOSSIP.

Mrs. Cleveland was the center of attraction at the annual charity ball in Philadelphia last week; she walked at the head of the procession, which opened the ball, and the enthusiasm which greeted her on every side proved that her hold on the popular heart is strong.

Cards will soon be out for the marriage of a well-known young man of Roanoke to a young lady of Eastern Virginia.

"Doctor," said a rosy-cheeked lass to one of our most popular ministers Friday morning, "that lecture of your's last night was the best I ever heard from you; I only yawned once."

The usual calm that follows the Christmas storm is beginning to settle down upon us.

Miss Lula Gordon of West Virginia, is visiting at Dr. Campbell's on Church street.

The musical people of Bedford City have organized a musical club, to be known as the Mendelssohn Club, with Mr. Jas. R. Guy as president; Mr. Jno. Mitchell, secretary and treasurer, and Prof. Fredrick Von Roy, director. The club is to be congratulated upon their choice of officers.

SALEM.

SALEM, Jan. 10.—[Special]—The 35th annual celebration of the Democratic Literary Society, of Roanoke College, will be held at the town hall Monday night, the 19th of January. President, C. E. Keedy, of Maryland; first orator, S. C. Ballentine, of South Carolina; debaters, affirmative, J. B. Morton, of Virginia; negative, F. L. Day, of Virginia; final orator, J. T. Huddle, of Virginia.

Prof. Painter's private literary class, composed of the leading young people of Salem, is making excellent progress. The class is making a critical study of the English authors.

Real estate sales are frequent. Several College avenue lots have changed hands lately.

Mr. J. P. Houtz, who has been confined to his room for some time, owing to a fall from a vehicle, has recovered so far as to be able to go out.

Read THE TIMES every morning kept posted. By mail or carrier, 50 c a month.

Railroad tickets at reduced rates sale at Continental Hotel news stand.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, Jan. 10.—[Special]—Exchange quiet and firm at 48 3/4 @ 48 7/8. Commercial bills, 48 1/2. Money easy with no loans, closing offered at 3. Sub-treasury balances—gold, \$149,338,000; currency, \$1,611,000. Government bonds dull and steady—48, 120; 4 1/8, 103 1/4. State bonds neglected.

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Vir. consols	40	St. Paul pref.	109 1/2
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do. pref.	138 1/2	Un. Coal & Iron	47 1/2
Del. & Lack.	138 1/2	Un. Pacific	47 1/2
Erie	20 1/2	N. J. Cen.	116
E. Tenn.	7 1/2	Mo. Pacific	64 1/2
Lake Shore	108 1/2	West. Union	79 1/2
L. & N.	77 1/2	Cot. Oil T. Co.	19 1/2
M. & O.	40	Brunswick	19
Mob. & Ohio	38	Mob. & O.	64 1/2
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PRODUCE AND MERCHANDISE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—[Special]—Cash quotations: Flour firm and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 10 @ 90 1/4; No. 2 red, 91 @ 92; No. 2 corn, 49 @ 49 1/4; No. 2 oats, 43 @ 43 1/4. Mess pork, \$10.50 @ 10.55; lard, \$5.87 1/2; short ribs, \$5.05 @ 5.15; shoulders, \$4.20 @ 4.30; short clear, \$5.30 @ 5.35; whiskey, \$1.14.

New York, Jan. 10.—[Special]—Southern flour quiet, steady. Wheat steady, generally firm; No. 2 red, 1.01 1/4 elevator. Options varied 3-16, closing steady, unchanged; No. 2 red, Jan. 1.03 1/4; Feb. 1.01 1/4; May, 1.04 1/4. Corn firmer, dull; No. 2, 69 1/2 @ 69 1/4 elevator. Options strong, unchanged, to 1/4 up; light supplies; Jan. 69; Feb. and May, 69 1/4; July, 69 1/4. Oats stronger, quiet; option dull, firmer; Jan. 51 1/4; Feb. 52 1/4; May, closing 52 1/4; spot No. 2 red, 51 1/2 @ 52 1/4; mixed western, 50 @ 53. Hops firm, quiet.

Coffee options opened steady, 10 down to 5 up; closed firm, 5 down to 10 up; option, Jan. 516.30 @ 16.35; Feb. 515.30, May, 515.10 @ 15.25; July, 514.70 @ 14.76. Spot Rio quiet, steady. Sugar, raw, firm, quiet; refined dull, easy. Molasses, New Orleans, steady, fair demand. Rice, fair demand, firm. Petroleum quiet, steady; refined 740. Cottonseed oil dull, easy; crude, off grade, 20 @ 24. Rosin quiet, steady; strained, common to good, \$1.35 @ 1.40.

Turpentine quiet, firm, 39 @ 40. Wool steady, better demand. Pork quiet, steady. Beef fairly active, firm. Beef hams, firm, fair demand. Tiered beef firm, quiet. Cut meats fairly active, firm; middles, quiet, steady. Lard easy, dull; Western, steam \$6.35; city, \$5.75; Jan., \$6.25 asked; Feb., \$6.30 asked; May, \$6.60 asked. Freight to Liverpool firm. Cotton, 11 @ 11 1/4; grain, 3 1/4.

Weekly Bank Statement.
New York, Jan. 10.—[Special]—The weekly bank statement: Reserve, increase, \$1,867,125; loans, decrease, \$1,725,100; deposits, increase, \$2,250,800; deposits, increase, \$13,692,000; circulation, increase, \$61,100. Banks now hold \$13,384,000 in excess of requirements of 25 percent. paid.

SHOOTING AFFAIR AT ELKHORN.

Officer Robinson kills Alexander Goyens in Self Defense.

Detective Eugene Robinson, the brave official who has often preserved peace at the risk of his life, was shot at Elkhorn Thursday.

Some weeks ago Alex. Goyens and King Lee, two colored men living at the Crozer works, got into a dispute about a notorious colored woman, and Lee shot Goyens through the jaw. Ever since then Goyens has been on the rampage, ranting blood, flourishing revolvers, pistols and shotguns, and swearing eternal vengeance upon his foe or anyone else who would attempt to soften the justice he was about to impose. His troublesome and riotous actions caused him to be discharged, and eventually he could not procure employment anywhere. He always went armed and caused considerable annoyance to the citizens of the community.

Thursday Goyens was in one of the shanties belonging to the Crozer Company. Officer Robinson ordered him out, whereupon Goyens sent a pistol ball through the officer's abdomen.

Despite his wound, however, Officer Robinson quickly drew his own pistol and, in rapid succession, he fired three shots at his assailant; the first ball missed its mark, but the second and third went through Goyens' head, killing him almost instantly.

Mr. Robinson walked about five hundred yards to the Crozer office, and from there was assisted to his home, near by, by his men. A physician was immediately summoned. At last account the injured man was doing as fairly as could be expected from the nature of the wound, but it is feared that he cannot recover.

The Levey Sisters.

Evans & Hoey presented "A Parlor Match" at the Opera House last night to an audience which packed every inch of room. The play is but a skeleton upon which the "business" is based. It has all been seen before and is as funny as belief can imagine. The Levey sisters were the feature of the evening. They took as if they had just stepped down out of one of Du Maurier's pictures in Parlor—tall, straight, sleek, shapely and beautiful. Their parts are as nothing to their presence. All they need to do to win a play is to stand still and do nothing save look beautiful and picturesque.

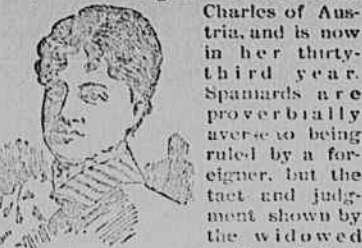
Changes in the Courthouse.

Messrs. Graves and Hafl, of the public property committee of the City Council, were in consultation with Judge Robert on and City Engineer Dunlap yesterday morning in reference to a change in the existing arrangements at the courthouse. His honor said, in reply to a question, that he did not wish to place the benches in too comfortable a manner, as there were so many lawyers and law firms in provided and in order to prevent their catching each other when pressed a small screw or stud is put through the head of the minute-hand, which projects slightly on either side. The stud keeps the minute-hand free from the dial and by permits it to pass safely over the hour-hand, from which it is easily distinguished.

SPAIN'S SHAKY THRONE.

Queen-Regent Christina and the Sickly Little King Alfonso.

Maria Christina, the Queen Regent of Spain, is a daughter of Archduke Charles of Austria, and is now in her thirty-third year.



CHRISTINA, QUEEN-REGENT OF SPAIN.

King have disarmed their hostility and made her popular. She was the second wife of Alfonso XII, the late king, and was married in November, 1879. Alfonso was very strong, and he died while still a very young man in December, 1885. The Queen has two young children, both of frail health. The elder of the two, the Infanta Donna Maria de las Mercedes, Princess of Asturias, to whom the crown would revert in the event of her brother's death without issue, was born in 1880, and the present King, Alfonso XIII, in 1886, five months after his father's death.

The little King has had a hard struggle for life. Like most of the royal families of Europe the Spaniards are afflicted with scrofula, and the baby who now wears the crown has been pulled through many severe crises only by great medical skill.

The general belief in Spain is that he will never reach manhood. All sorts of stories are told about him. Among them is one that when mildly rebuked by his attendants for eating with his fingers and told that Kings did not do so, the little fellow pertinaciously remarked: "This King does." The republican sentiment has been steadily growing in Spain during recent years, and it would not surprise those who know that country best if Alfonso XIII. should turn out to be the last King.

THE WINE VANISHED.

Champagne Bottles Emptied Without Removing the Corks.

A new manager, on taking charge of a cafe some time since, says the New York Herald, was astonished to see how large a part of the profit and loss account chargeable to the wine cellar was attributed to the mysterious disappearance of whole quarts, no trace of which, bottle and all, was ever found, or to the even more mysterious number of bottles found with foil, wire and cork absolutely intact in the case, but destitute of a drop of the once sparkling contents. Could it be possible such bottles had been corked and wired empty? Or, on

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the other hand, if the wine had leaked out where was the consequent discoloration of the paper wrappings and of the other bottles, etc.? A detective was engaged from a convenient point of vantage to watch the cellarman in the long hours of the day, when they roamed at will through the casks, barrels and baskets.

The cut tells the story. The cellarman had a common yellow bowl in which they kept ice for their own use. When one of them wanted a cooling draught of champagne he went through no formalities at all, not even the cutting of a wire or the drawing of a cork. He simply took a quart out of a case, emptied the earthenware bowl of its contents, stood an ice pick, point up, in the bowl and brought the hollowed bottom of the bottle down with a light, quick blow on the point of the pick. A small, round, even puncture was the result, through which the champagne flowed in a steady stream into the bowl.

There was no crash or cracking of glass, or dirt or noise. The wooden handle of the ice pick prevented the blow from breaking the bowl, and the cellarman poured a libation to Bacchus after carefully replacing the apparently undamaged bottle back in its case.

Influence of Example.

There are always new illustrations of the "influence of example," and here is one of them: The proprietor of a large mercantile establishment in New York City strides loftily across its floors and through its various departments daily looking after things. His stride is strong and impressive, and it is a curious fact that, in the course of years, this stride has come to be unconsciously copied by all the employees in his establishment. The heads of departments imitate his example by striding rapidly across the floor; so do the clerks on every story; so do the boys in training for clerkships. Some of them formerly walked about in a shuffling way or in other dubious ways; but, after awhile, all of them stride in the proprietor's style. Even a couple of feminine typewriters in the establishment show by their movements that they have felt the influence of his strident example.



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